

WASHINGTON, D.C. , Congressman John W. Olver (D-1st District) today successfully included a study

Olver added the study in the Interior, Environment Appropriations bill, which includes the Environment

"We must be better prepared to address the increase of health complications which will impact the cou

Olver's amendment would require the EPA to contract with the National Academies of Science to con

Olver is a member of the Interior, Environment Appropriations Subcommittee. The amendment was ac

Olver added, "We need to be much better prepared for increases in air pollution, the spread of pest-bo

The overwhelming consensus of climate science produced by thousands of researchers is:

1. That we must expect environmental changes caused by global warming to have direct impact on hu

Exposure to air pollution can aggravate chronic respiratory and cardiovascular disease, damage lung

2. That we must expect more extreme weather events including droughts, floods, and heat waves.

As an example, the heatwave of 2003 throughout Europe caused more than 22,000 excessive deaths

3. That we must expect the emergence of new diseases and re-emergence of old pest-borne diseases

In fact, such evidence is already available. The 1999 outbreak of West Nile Virus in New York took th

Studies reviewed by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change anticipated that "the proportion o

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